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- X Response Transmittal
- X Response
- X Declaration Under 37 CFR 1.131 Antedating a Reference
- X Copy of letter dated September 21, 1999

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AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL


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CERTIFICATE UNDER 37 CFR §1.8 I hereby certify that this Amendment and Transmittal and the paper(s), as described herein are being sent to telefacsimile No. (703) 872 9308, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, on this 24th day of June, 2004.



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Sir:


We are transmitting herewith the attached:

- X Response
- X Declaration Under 37 CFR 1.131 Antedating a Reference
- X Copy of letter dated September 21, 1999

- ☐ Applicant hereby petitions for _____ months' extension of time. If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this petition therefor.
- ☐ Please charge Deposit Account No. 13-2546 in the amount of \$_____ for the one-month extension fee.
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- X Applicant believes that no extension of time is required. However, if an extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for an extension of time.

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Title: METHOD AND APPARATUS TO SECURE DATA TRANSFER
FROM MEDICAL DEVICE SYSTEMS**OFFICIAL****RESPONSE**Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

The following is in response to the Office Action mailed March 25, 2004, having a three-month statutory period for response set to expire on June 25, 2004. The following remarks are respectfully submitted.